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SUPPLEMENTARY DECLARATION OF PRIOR INVENTION
IN THE UNITED STATES TO OVERCOME CITED PATENT
OR PUBLICATION (37 C.F.R. §1.131)

This declaration is being submitted in support of the Declaration of Prior Invention of Olivier Bernard Clarisse, an inventor of the subject matter of application serial number 10/082,561, entitled Virtual Direct Connect Network.

My name is Lizette Velazquez. I was the supervisor of the group working on the Virtual Direct Connect Network project, part of which was the subject matter of the above-identified patent application. I was supervisor of the group from the inception of the project in November 1999 until after the application was filed on February 25, 2002. I was intimately associated with this project from its inception, and followed the technical implementation aspects of the project, including many discussions with the inventors and with my own management concerning technical aspects and applications of the project. I was familiar with the subject matter of the attachments to the Clarisse affidavit, which attachments were prepared while Mr. Clarisse was under my supervision.

I witnessed demonstrations to the Lucent Full Circle conference in San Francisco of May 17, 2000, which showed the end user experience of the project.

I also witnessed demonstrations in November 2000 of a prototype
implementation.

I have attached relevant excerpts from my log of the following:

- 7R/E FLW Program Overview – v-graph date 9/28/1999; file stored date 12/14/1999
- 7R/E and High-Bandwidth Network FLW Work Program – v-graph date 11/08/1999; file stored date 12/14/1999
- Proposed CCBNS Config – file stored date 12/20/1999
- Joint Work Objectives - file stored date 3/20/2000

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon



Lizette Velazquez

June 17, 2005.

Date

Attached:
As stated